PHONEMES AND ORTHOGRAPHIC SYMBOLS

/p/	p*	/m/	m	/f/	f
/b/	b	/mb/	mb	/v/	v
/t/	t	/n/	n	/s/	s
/d/	d	/nd/	nd	/z/	z
/k/	k	/nz/	nz	/ʃ/	sh
/g/	g	/ɲ/	ny	/ʒ/	j
		/ɲʒ/	nj	/l/	l
		/ŋg/	ng	/r/	r
				/h/	h
				/w/	w
				/y/	y

* in borrowed words

/i/	i			/u/	u
/e/	e			/o/	o
		/a/	a		

/V:/ VV

Labialization: CwV
Palatalization: CyV

Tone:

Tone is not written.

EXAMPLES

a	kaluku	proper name
b	ibiti	trees
d	uludaha	bag, pocket
e	ulugega	big basket for carrying on the back
f	ifuka	hoe
g	amagi	eggs
h	amahemba	millet
i	amagi	eggs
j	ulujanga	small fish (sg)
k	kaluku	proper name
l	kaluku	proper name
m	amakala	charcoal
mb	umumbati	cassava
n	umwana	child
nd	indimu	orange
ng	inganga	guinea fowl
nj	injanga	small fish
ny	inyumba	house
nz	inzanzagi	woven bag for a man
o	imikonde	bananas
p	umupapali	papaya tree
r	imirondo	clothes
s	isaabuni	soap
sh	ikishakulo	mortar
t	ibiti	trees
u	ulugega	basket
v	ivuha	bone
w	wehe	you (sg)
y	ayanika	he puts out to dry
z	ikibuzi	sheep

ALPHABET

a b d e f g h i j k l m mb n nd ng nj ny nz o p r s sh t u v w y z

number of graphemes 30

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